

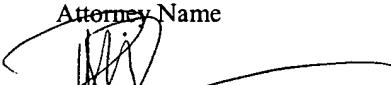
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For : NUCLEIC ACIDS, VECTORS, AND CELL LINES COMPRISING A CYCLOOXYGENASE-2 (COX-2) PROMOTER AND METHODS OF SCREENING FOR COX-2 INHIBITORS (as amended)

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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In response to the non-final Office Action dated May 19, 2004, Applicants submit this Reply. Authorization of the three-month extension fee is enclosed herewith. No other fee is believed to be due in connection with this Reply. However, should an additional fee be required in connection with this Reply, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any such fee to Deposit Account No. 02-4377. Any required extension of time is hereby requested.